

AMENDMENTS

Claim 1 (previously presented). An item comprising:

a food strip selected from fruit-based materials and candy materials, having an outer surface and a length defined by a leading end and a trailing end, the strip being rolled around the leading end into a roll having multiple rotations to define two or more layers lying in contact with each other; and

a tacked region on the strip about the trailing end that serves as the sole point of attachment for two of the layers together, said tacked region attached by application of pressure or application of heat to said rolled food strip.

Claim 2 (original). The item of claim 1 wherein the food strip is fruit-based.

Claim 3 (original). The item of claim 1 further comprising a granular edible coating adhered to the outer surface of the food strip.

Claims 4-5 (canceled).

Claim 6 (original). The item of claim 1 further including a bag containing the food strip.

Claim 7 (currently amended). An article of manufacture comprising a substantially spirally wound strip of pliable food material, said material selected from fruit-based materials and candy materials, having an end portion attached to another portion of the strip proximate to the end portion, said attachment accomplished by application of pressure or application of heat to said end portion and serving as the sole point of attachment for said wound strip of pliable food material.

Claim 8 (original). The article of claim 7 wherein the end portion includes a trailing end of the strip.

Claim 9 (original). The article of claim 7 wherein sugar is attached to the strip.

Claims 10-12 (canceled).

Claim 13. (original). The article of claim 7 further including a bag containing the food strip.